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MEMORANDUM FOR ALASKA CIVIL/MILITARY AVIATION COUNCIL (ACMAC)

FROM: 11 AF/CV

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SUBJECT: Alaska Civil/Military Aviation Council Minutes

- 1. The ACMAC convened 5 October 2010, at 1000 in the Reeves Conference Room at Elmendorf AFB AK and was broadcast via VTC to 353rd Combat Training Squadron, Eielson AFB AK. The meeting slides are attached to provide more detailed information about the various briefs. Please refer to these as you read the minutes.
- 2. Member Attendance: Colonel Patrick Moylan, 11AF/CV, chaired the meeting and the attendance roster is attached.
- 3. Opening remarks by ACMAC Chairman: Col Moylan welcomed everyone to the Spring ACMAC.
- 4. The following agenda items were discussed:
- a. RED FLAG-Alaska FY11 Update: Mr. Pete Bussa, 353rd Combat Training Squadron, provided an overview of upcoming exercises. 25 FS, A-10, will be flying at Eielson from May-October using the ranges. Mr. Bussa reinforced the language test requirements for foreign aircrews. Bussa advised there would be an exercise 6-21 October. Please refer to the attached slides for specific details to include in briefs and familiarization days.

RED FLAG-Alaska 11-1	14-29 April 11
NORTHERN EDGE-11	9-24 June 11
RED FLAG-Alaska 11-2	7-22 July 11
RED FLAG-Alaska 11-3	11-26 August 11

- b. Airfield Status Update: Briefings were presented by several members: Mr. Iagulli, Ted Stevens International Airport; Lt Harencak, Elmendorf AFB; Ms. Osborn, Fairbanks International Airport; Mr. Ferguson, Ladd Army Airfield; Mr. Johnson, Bryant Army Airfield and Capt Stimpfel, Eielson AFB. Detailed airfield construction information is provided on the attached slides.
- 1) Mr. Iagulli advised TSAIA reopened runway 7R/25L for all winter. Close 7R next spring, April through end of September/early October to add 1500 feet on the west end. 2012 will rebuild taxiways E/M/L. 2013 rebuild 7L. 32/14 will be renamed 33/15.
- 2) Lt. Harencak briefed for Mr Kramer. Elmendorf finished summer construction. Helo pad to open in January. Spot 6/7/9-12/ops ramp closed until next July. All else open until next summer.
- 3) Ms Osborne, Fairbanks International Airport, advised wrapping up several years of improvements specifically items on slide.
 - 4) Maj Moody related Allen AAF's fence repair.

- 5) Mr Ferguson related lighting upgrades and replacement, POL facilities, a fence and an ops building and hangars. He also expressed great appreciation to the Eielson Fuels folks for their assistance during the loading of 16 AVN BDE assets deployed to Pakistani flood relief on 11 C-17s and 7 C-5s.
 - 6) Capt Stimpfel related taxiway replacements and improvements at Eielson AFB.
- c. Various updates: Briefings were presented by several members: LtCol Babos, Mr. Steve Hatter, Maj Katie Buss.
- 1) LtCol Babos reported on GPS jamming issues and explained a breakdown in coordination between the USAF and FAA resulting in cancellation of jamming during RFA 10-03. He spoke about attempting to make a more concise jamming NOTAM for next year's RFA 11-3. Questions were asked regarding the effect on non-flying GPS users and whether any "effects" testing on various civilian units had been conducted. Col Moylan pointed out the possibility of GPS having anomalies without jamming and the need to navigate in VFR without GPS. PA would also put the word out statewide. The ability to "cease buzzer" when required was also discussed. Spotty SUAIS reception was discussed.
- 2) Mr Hatter presented the current status of the JPARC EIS, the road ahead for the EIS and the events leading up to the current situation. Training the warfighter is the bottom line for DOD and there are already established forces and facilities in Alaska. He discussed the master plan and the EIS process and the scoping events to solicit stakeholder inputs per public law.
- 3) Maj Buss presented and solicited feedback on soon to be implemented pattern changes for fighters and C-17/C-130s at Elmendorf AFB.
- d. Airspace update: Maj Bill Moody discussed the Charted Delta MOA and emphasized that with the FAA EA approval, the MOA would be on charts as of the 18 Nov change, but that it would still be activated only for Major Force Exercises. He advised of the changing of the Airspace website to a JBER.AF.MIL address. He spoke about MFE scheduling constraints, Sub-ACMAC meeting planned for early December and the importance of SUAIS.

5. Open Forum:

- a. 40 Mile Caribou Herd calving mitigation was brought up regarding the 15 May-5 June dates having proven to be accurate periods and the need for census counts of Caribou. Also telemetry flights are conducted in the fall. Near mid-airs related to Caribou counts and exercises were discussed. August seems to be a particularly difficult month for conflicts due to sheep and caribou hunting season.
 - b. Mr Tedor addressed SUAIS communication gaps out toward Tok and 40 Mile.
 - c. Mr Johnson discussed Bryant AAF updates.
- 6. Closing Comments: Colonel Moylan thanked all in attendance for their participation and interest in ACMAC. He looks forward to working with everyone to prevent or solve airspace issues before they become serious. Open dialog is key to making this happen. He also emphasized that the ACMAC will continue to keep working these hard issues until they can be resolved. Colonel Moylan also stressed the use of SUAIS which provides another avenue to enhance safety.
- 7. The meeting adjourned at approximately 1130. Notifications for the next ACMAC will be sent as soon as a definitive date is set. Questions, corrections, comments, and/or concerns should be addressed to Mr. John Crowe, 611 AOC/CODK at Commercial (907) 552-0999 or DSN 317-552-0999.

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ACMAC Chairman

Attachment: Meeting slides

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